School Board Candidate Statement For Tombstone School District No. 1 Brian Keeling 300 Elgin St. Huachuca City, AZ 85616

Hello,

My name is Brian Keeling. Many of you know me as Randy or BK. I was raised in the Tombstone school district and attended Huachuca City School (HCS) and Tombstone High School (THS) from 1968 through graduation in 1980. After living and working in Tucson and Denver, I retired and returned to Huachuca City with my sons, now attending HCS. My education additionally includes:

- Bachelor of Science in Business Management, Colorado State University.
- Master of Science in Business: Organizational Leadership and Change Management, Colorado State University.
- Doctorate of Education: Organizational Leadership and Development, Grand Canyon University to be completed in 2015.

Being an alumnus and having children in the district gives me passionate concern for improving the schools in this district. After completing a very successful business career along with the aforementioned degrees, I truly believe my experience can help the Tombstone school district regain financial strength in order to vastly improve the education we are able to provide our children now and in the future.

In order to accomplish this goal, research and action must be taken at all levels and schools in the school district regarding sustainability and cost savings while working to improve cash flow and creation of checks and balances that are severely lacking. Financial reporting must be improved as demonstrated by a recently proposed tax increase and failing audits by the State of Arizona Auditor General. Lastly, I feel that the school board must create a greater degree of transparency to regain public trust and improve community participation.

